



Chiddingly School Newsletter

"Achievement for All, Learning Together, Learning for Life"

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Friday 20th November 2015

Oak Class visit Bodiam Castle

Yesterday Oak Class had a fantastic day at Bodiam Castle with the East Hoathly Reception children. Despite the weather, the day had definite awe and wonder, with lots of excitement at crossing the moat to get into the castle. Once inside, we had a treasure hunt, looking for treasures in different parts of the castle. Then we had a story session where we learnt about life long ago and had the opportunity to try on armour. Finally, we enjoyed eating lunch in the tower, before the long walk down to the coach home. The day was definitely a soggy success! There were plenty of sleeping children on the journey home! Thank you to Mr Forsey and Miss Webb for coming with us.

Oak Class will be having a special Christmas Banquet day at East Hoathly school on Wednesday 9th December, dressing up as knights and princesses. A separate letter will follow next week.



Willow Class Science Day

This week Willow class went to East Hoathly to share a hands-on science day with the Year 3 and 4 children. They were visited by the Observatory Science Centre from Herstmonceux and had the opportunity to experiment with different types of electricity and power. One of their favourite parts was becoming a human battery by placing their hands on two different metal plates and using a chain of people to make a circuit!



The children also experimented with different power sources and tried to use a lemon as a battery! Unfortunately, it wasn't very successful but that didn't stop all the children from trying different materials to see whether some materials are better conductors than others.



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Parent Governor Election Ballot

Parents are reminded to return their ballot papers by 3pm on Friday 27th in time for the count at 3.30pm. Candidates are Christopher Forsey (Amber Richards-Forsey's father) and Emma Webb (Chloe and Katie Coleman's mother).

School Council

As it is anti-bullying week, the school council have reviewed the child-friendly anti bullying policy which has been sent home today in your child's book bag.



The school council have now totalled the money collected for Children in Need last week and are pleased to announce that **£56.16** was raised - well done everyone!



Christmas Selfies!

Miss Waterman would like to create a photo-montage for a new Christmas backdrop she is making for the school hall. Using inspiration from the '12 Days of Christmas' families are invited to take photos of themselves doing or wearing Christmassy things! Photographs need to be at least A5/A4 sizes. If anyone would like to be involved, please print off your photos and return to the school office or Miss Waterman. The funnier, the better!



No Smoking Reminder

Visitors, staff and parents are strictly not permitted to smoke on school premises, including our car park. Thank you for your cooperation.



Chiddingly Stars of the Week are:



Amber, Cameron, Hope, Katie and Sienna-Rose (Oak) - for writing their first number sentence independently.

Boyd (Willow) - for his fantastic effort in mental Maths working with decimals and for his continued outstanding work in Literacy.

Jocelyn (Willow) - for working tirelessly on the bus stop method.

Harrison (Willow) - for working hard with others in Literacy.

Sophia (Willow) - for her outstanding writing in Literacy.

Chloe (Willow) - for her outstanding non-fiction writing about our school.

Ria, Helbert, Rhys and Amie (Willow) - for problem solving during Science Day and for working extremely hard to make circuits and static electricity.

Amy-Ann (Willow) - for writing an excellent plan.

Well done everyone!



This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 142



London Eye 224



Buckingham Palace 195

This week's winner is:

London Eye

PFCS Chocolate Tombola

The PFCS would like to say a huge thank you to all the children and parents for all their chocolate donations received today. The amount of chocolate received will help us run a fantastic chocolate tombola at the Christmas fair!

Deliveries of Christmas cards, gift labels and mugs are due very soon and will be distributed to everyone who placed an order. Thank you for your support!



Gardening Area

Many thanks to Mr and Mrs Webb who have supplied some shrubs for the trim trail gardening area and for organising a fantastic selection of perennial plants and shrubs from Lime Cross Nursery in Herstmonceux which have also been kindly donated.



Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served on Friday 11th December at 12pm at a cost of £2.03 per child. If your child/ren would like to order a Christmas lunch, please complete the attached form and return to the school office by Friday 4th December latest, thank you. A choice of turkey or vegetarian option will be available (see opposite).



See our shop for Christmas beer lists

£2.03

Festive Menu

Choose a main meal...

- Farm Assured Roast Turkey served with a Pork Sausage Wrapped in Bacon or Quorn Roast (v)
- Served with Crispy Roast Potatoes, Traditional Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy

on the side...

- Fresh Broccoli
- Fresh Carrots

for dessert...

- Christmas Shaped Shortbread Biscuit
- Chocolate Rice Crispy Cake
- Selection of Fresh Fruit

To enjoy our festive-inspired day, please see your school for details

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Learning Powers Certificate

On Friday 27th November in our celebration assembly at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Michael Winchester

Beech - Molly Purdie

Willow - Jack Eaton

Sycamore - Ella O'Neill



Top Table winner:

GREECE (10 points)

Cassidy Peterson

Megan Sowden

Mason Dain

Molly Purdie

Alfie Karip

Kye Spriggs-Morgan

The runner up this week is Algeria
with 8 points

Diner of the Week:

Megan Sowden



Attendance

The National target for attendance is 96.1%.
Our school target is 97% and our attendance percentages for this school year to date are:

Present	95.8%
Authorised absences	4.1%
Unauthorised absences	0.1%

Class Attendance Figures

for this week are:

Oak Class	97.3%
Beech Class	96.8%
Willow Class	96.5%
Sycamore Class	99.0%

The attendance award goes to...

Sycamore class!



Christmas Fair

The Christmas fair will take place in Chiddingly Village Hall from 2-4pm on Saturday 28th November - please do come and support us!



Dates for your diary 2014/15

November

25th New Parents Open Day, 9.30- 10.30am

December

9th *Oak Class Christmas Banquet Day at East Hoathly*

9th New Parents Open Day, 6-7pm

10th Panto 'Robin Hood'

11th Christmas Lunch, 12pm

17th Nativity Performance - 2pm & 6pm

18th *End of Term 2*

January

5th INSET DAY

6th *Start of Term 3*

13th Maths Day

February

12th End of Term 3 Celebration, 2.30pm

March

3rd Book Day

8th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

14th Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm

16th Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm

24th End of Term 4 Celebration, 2.30pm

April

20th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

May

25th Awe & Wonder Celebration, 2.30pm

27th INSET DAY

June

14th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

July

7th Sports Day

8th Table Tennis Tournament at East Hoathly

8th School Reports sent out to Parents

12th Parent Consultation Meetings to discuss reports only, 4-6pm

14th Summer Production, 2pm & 6.30pm

21st Leaver's Service, 2pm

22nd INSET DAY

24th Ground Force Day, 10am - 2pm



Any amendments or additions to the diary are in *italics*.

Community Corner

From time to time, we would like to provide information on behalf of our community partners when possible.

This week the village shop would like to let you know that they will be holding a late night Christmas shopping evening on Tuesday 1st December. The shop will be open until 7.30pm and complimentary mulled wine or non-alcoholic fruit punch and mince pies will be served. Place your meat and hamper orders and see what other unusual and tasty goodies are available!

Christmas Lunch - Order slip

My child/ren:

in **Class:**would like following Christmas lunch (please tick)

Roast Turkey

Quorn Roast (v)

..... (signed)

..... (dated)

Please return completed slip to the School Office by **Friday 4th December** latest, thank you.